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intentional radiators which, in accordance with §15.31(d), must be measured at the installation site. However, the installer shall be responsible for ensuring that the proper antenna is employed so that the limits in this part are not exceeded.

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§ 15.204 External radio frequency power amplifiers and antenna modifications.

(a) Except as otherwise described in paragraph (b) of this section, no person shall use, manufacture, sell or lease, offer for sale or lease (including advertising for sale or lease), or import, ship, or distribute for the purpose of selling or leasing, any external radio frequency power amplifier or amplifier kit intended for use with a Part 15 intentional radiator.

(b) A transmission system consisting of an intentional radiator, an external

radio frequency power amplifier, and an antenna, may be authorized, marketed and used under this part. However, when a transmission system is authorized as a system, it must always be marketed as a complete system and must always be used in the configuration in which it was authorized. An external radio frequency power amplifier shall be marketed only in the system configuration with which the amplifier is authorized and shall not be marketed as a separate product.

(c) Only the antenna with which an intentional radiator is authorized may be used with the intentional radiator.

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§ 15.205 Restricted bands of operation.

(a) Except as shown in paragraph (d) of this section, only spurious emissions are permitted in any of the frequency bands listed below:

| MHz | MHz | MHz | GHz |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 0.090–0.110 | 16.42–16.423 | 399.9–410 | 4.5–5.15 |
| ¹ 0.495–0.505 | 16.69475–16.69525 | 608–614 | 5.35–5.46 |
| 2.1735–2.1905 | 16.80425–16.80475 | 960–1240 | 7.25–7.75 |
| 4.125–4.128 | 25.5–25.67 | 1300–1427 | 8.025–8.5 |
| 4.17725–4.17775 | 37.5–38.25 | 1435–1626.5 | 9.0–9.2 |
| 4.20725–4.20775 | 73–74.6 | 1645.5–1646.5 | 9.3–9.5 |
| 6.215–6.218 | 74.8–75.2 | 1660–1710 | 10.6–12.7 |
| 6.26775–6.26825 | 108–121.94 | 1718.8–1722.2 | 13.25–13.4 |
| 6.31175–6.31225 | 123–138 | 2200–2300 | 14.47–14.5 |
| 8.291–8.294 | 149.9–150.05 | 2310–2390 | 15.35–16.2 |
| 8.362–8.366 | 156.52475–156.52525 | 2483.5–2500 | 17.7–21.4 |
| 8.37625–8.38675 | 156.7–156.9 | 2655–2900 | 22.01–23.12 |
| 8.41425–8.41475 | 162.0125–167.17 | 3260–3267 | 23.6–24.0 |
| 12.29–12.293 | 167.72–173.2 | 3332–3339 | 31.2–31.8 |
| 12.51975–12.52025 | 240–285 | 3345.8–3358 | 36.43–36.5 |
| 12.57675–12.57725 | 322–335.4 | 3600–4400 | (²) |
| 13.36–13.41 | | | |

¹ Until February 1, 1999, this restricted band shall be 0.490–0.510 MHz.

² Above 38.6

(b) Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of this section, the field strength of emissions appearing within these frequency bands shall not exceed the limits shown in §15.209. At frequencies equal to or less than 1000 MHz, compliance with the limits in §15.209 shall be demonstrated using measurement instrumentation employing a CISPR quasi-peak detector. Above 1000 MHz, compliance with the emission limits in §15.209 shall be demonstrated based on the average value of

the measured emissions. The provisions in §15.35 apply to these measurements.

(c) Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of this section, regardless of the field strength limits specified elsewhere in this subpart, the provisions of this section apply to emissions from any intentional radiator.

(d) The following devices are exempt from the requirements of this section:

(1) Swept frequency field disturbance sensors operating between 1.705 and 37 MHz provided their emissions only sweep through the bands listed in

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paragraph (a) of this section, the sweep is never stopped with the fundamental emission within the bands listed in paragraph (a) of this section, and the fundamental emission is outside of the bands listed in paragraph (a) of this section more than 99% of the time the device is actively transmitting, without compensation for duty cycle.

(2) Transmitters used to detect buried electronic markers at 101.4 kHz which are employed by telephone companies.

(3) Cable locating equipment operated pursuant to § 15.213.

(4) Any equipment operated under the provisions of § 15.253 or § 15.255.

(5) Biomedical telemetry devices operating under the provisions of § 15.242 of this part are not subject to the restricted band 608–614 MHz but are subject to compliance within the other restricted bands.

(6) Transmitters operating under the provisions of subparts D or F of this part.

(e) Harmonic emissions appearing in the restricted bands above 17.7 GHz from field disturbance sensors operating under the provisions of § 15.245 shall not exceed the limits specified in § 15.245(b).

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§ 15.207 Conducted limits.

(a) Except as shown in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, for an intentional radiator that is designed to be connected to the public utility (AC) power line, the radio frequency voltage that is conducted back onto the AC power line on any frequency or frequencies, within the band 150 kHz to 30 MHz, shall not exceed the limits in the following table, as measured using a 50 μ H/50 ohms line impedance stabilization network (LISN). Compliance with the provisions of this paragraph shall be based on the measurement of the radio frequency voltage between each power line and ground at the power terminal. The lower limit applies at the

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boundary between the frequency ranges.

| Frequency of emission (MHz) | Conducted limit (dB μ V) | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| | Quasi-peak | Average |
| 0.15–0.5 | 66 to 56* | 56 to 46* |
| 0.5–5 | 56 | 46 |
| 5–30 | 60 | 50 |

*Decreases with the logarithm of the frequency.

(b) The limit shown in paragraph (a) of this section shall not apply to carrier current systems operating as intentional radiators on frequencies below 30 MHz. In lieu thereof, these carrier current systems shall be subject to the following standards:

(1) For carrier current system containing their fundamental emission within the frequency band 535–1705 kHz and intended to be received using a standard AM broadcast receiver: no limit on conducted emissions.

(2) For all other carrier current systems: 1000 μ V within the frequency band 535–1705 kHz, as measured using a 50 μ H/50 ohms LISN.

(3) Carrier current systems operating below 30 MHz are also subject to the radiated emission limits in § 15.205, § 15.209, § 15.221, § 15.223, or § 15.227, as appropriate.

(c) Measurements to demonstrate compliance with the conducted limits are not required for devices which only employ battery power for operation and which do not operate from the AC power lines or contain provisions for operation while connected to the AC power lines. Devices that include, or make provisions for, the use of battery chargers which permit operating while charging, AC adapters or battery eliminators or that connect to the AC power lines indirectly, obtaining their power through another device which is connected to the AC power lines, shall be tested to demonstrate compliance with the conducted limits.

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§ 15.209 Radiated emission limits; general requirements.

(a) Except as provided elsewhere in this subpart, the emissions from an intentional radiator shall not exceed the